

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

JOHN DOE,

Plaintiff,

v.

NEW CASTLE COUNTY,
HERBERT F. COATES in his individual
capacity, and GARRETT C. KRATZER,
in his individual capacity,

Defendant.

C.A. No. 21-1450-RGA

JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

**ORDER GRANTING PLAINTIFF'S *EX PARTE* MOTION
FOR A PROTECTIVE ORDER TO FILE COMPLAINT UNDER PSEUDONYM**

UPON CONSIDERATION of Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Motion for a Protective Order to File Complaint Under Pseudonym, it is **ORDERED** as follows:

1. Plaintiff's *Ex Parte* Motion for a Protective Order to File Complaint Under Pseudonym is **GRANTED**;
2. Plaintiff shall file his Complaint publicly under a pseudonym with an unredacted version of the Complaint filed under seal in accordance with the District of Delaware's CM/ECF Procedures;
3. Plaintiff shall serve Defendants (or attempt a waiver of service) with both the pseudonymous Complaint and the unredacted Complaint and a copy of this signed Order;
4. Upon service (or a request for waiver thereof), Defendants New Castle County, Herbert F. Coates, and Garrett C. Kratzer shall not reveal the identity of John Doe to anyone other than their legal counsel;

5. Following service of process (or a waiver thereof), counsel for the parties shall attempt to reach an agreement on Plaintiff's request to proceed pseudonymously through pleadings, discovery, and trial;

6. If agreement cannot be reached on Plaintiff's request to proceed pseudonymously through pleadings, discovery, and trial by December 31, 2021, Plaintiff may file a Motion by January 7, 2022, on these issues which shall be considered, after an opportunity for Defendants to be heard, on the merits.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 3 day of November, 2021.

/s/ Richard G. Andrews
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE